Chapter 48:
STEER CLEAR

BUGGY'S CREW: AFTER THE BATTLE!
PART 10: "FAREWELL TO FRIENDS"

A UNIQUE PIRATE, THE CAPTAIN-COOK.

"RED SHOES" ZEFF. SO YOU'RE ALIVE.

NOW I'M A CHEF EXCLUSIVELY.

WHAT'S IT TO YOU?

SO WHAT IF I'M ALIVE?

READ THIS WAY

OR WAS BEING A PIRATE TOO MUCH FOR YOU?

BUT DID YOU *CHOOSE* TO BE A COOK...

HA! YOU SAY IT LIKE IT WAS A CHOICE.

LOOKS LIKE YOUR RED SHOES DAYS ARE BEHIND YOU.

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THAT AWESOME LEG STRENGTH COULD SMASH BEDROCK...

...AND EVEN LEAVE FOOTPRINTS IN STEEL.

"RED SHOES" ZEFF...

...MASTER OF THE DEADLY KICK, WHO NEVER USED HIS HANDS IN BATTLE.

...HENCE YOUR UNUSUAL NICKNAME.

THE BLOOD OF YOUR ENEMIES DYED YOUR SHOES...

...BUT YOU DID LOSE ONE OF YOUR PRECIOUS LEGS.

I SEE YOU DIDN'T LOSE YOUR LIFE...

THEY SAY YOU DIED AT SEA.

WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT? SPIT IT OUT.

I CAN'T FIGHT ANYMORE, BUT I CAN COOK, LONG AS I HAVE THESE TWO HANDS.

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YOU KEPT A RECORD OF THAT VOYAGE, A WHOLE YEAR'S LOG.

GIVE ME YOUR LOG-BOOK!!!

"RED SHOES" ZEFF... YOU ONCE SAILED THAT DEVIL'S NEST, THE GRAND LINE.

BUT YOU RETURNED UNSCATHED.

BUT I WON'T GIVE IT TO YOU.

MY LOGBOOK, EH? YES, I STILL I HAVE IT.

AYE.

YOU'VE BEEN TO THE GRAND LINE TOO, OLD MAN?

I WON'T GIVE IT TO THE LIKES OF YOU!!!

FOR ME AND THE MEN WHO SAILED WITH ME, THAT LOGBOOK IS A TESTAMENT.

IT'S TRUE THAT I DIDN'T SUCCEED ON THE GRAND LINE!!

BUT I AM DON KRIEG, THE MIGHTIEST OF ALL!

THEN I'LL TAKE IT FROM YOU!!!

THE ONLY THING I LACKED WAS *KNOWLEDGE* !!!

THAT'S WHAT STOPPED ME!!!

BUT I HAD PLENTY OF STRENGTH!! SHIPS AND MEN!! AND AMBITION!!

WEAKLINGS DO WELL TO SHUN THAT DARK ROUTE.

I'LL HAVE THAT LOG... AND THIS SHIP, TOO!!

I JUST DIDN'T KNOW ENOUGH.

WE WON'T LET YOU TAKE OUR SHIP!!!

CHEF ZEFF IS OUR SAVIOR! HE TOOK US IN WHEN NO ONE ELSE WOULD!

YEAH. WE'VE BEEN CAST OUT FROM EVERYWHERE ELSE.

YOU CAN'T HAVE IT! THIS SHIP'S ALL WE'VE GOT IN THE WORLD.

YOU'VE SEEN THAT I'M THE STRONGEST OF ALL!!

GRARR!!

GULP

GASP!

PUNY FOOLS!! NO ONE CAN DEFY ME!!!

TMP

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...CAPTURE THE ONE PIECE AND LORD IT OVER THIS GREAT AGE OF PIRATES!

I'LL TAKE ZEFF'S LOG, ASSEMBLE ANOTHER ARMADA...

I'M GOING TO BE KING OF THE PIRATES!

NO!!

HOLD IT!!

HE'LL MURDER YA!!

STAY OUTTA THIS, KID!

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CHORE BOY?!!

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NOT OUT OF THIS!!

I CAN'T.

READ THIS WAY

I WAS ONLY STATING THE FACTS.

NOPE.

DON'T YOU WANT TO TAKE THAT BACK?

DID YOU SAY SOME-THING, BOY?

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OBVIOUSLY.

GRR R...

THIS ISN'T A GAME.

QUIET. STAY OUT OF THIS.

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CAN'T WE JUST CALL IT OFF? GOING THERE IS SUICIDE!

WEREN'T YOU LISTENING? THE GRAND LINE WAS TOO MUCH EVEN FOR KRIEG!

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DADOOM!

I'LL LEND A HAND.

TIME TO FIGHT, LUFFY?

NAH, I CAN HANDLE THIS.

ZOLO, USOPP. YOU GUYS ARE HERE?

PRETTY THIN, AIN'T IT?!!

HAHAHAHA!

HA HA HA HA! THAT'S YOUR CREW?

HA HA HA HA!

HEH...

IN SEVEN DAYS, WE WERE SMASHED TO BITS IN THAT DEMON SEA!!!

DON'T BE SO COCKSURE, KID!!! I HAD A FLEET AND 5,000 MEN!

DON'T COUNT ME IN!

WRONG! THERE ARE TWO MORE!!

fwik!

SOUNDS INTER-ESTING.

DID YOU HEAR THAT?! FIFTY SHIPS IN ONE WEEK!!

WHAT COULD HAVE DONE IT?!!

KRIEG'S ARMADA WAS DESTROYED SO QUICKLY?!!

SEVEN DAYS?!!

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WATCH YOUR MOUTH OR I'LL KILL YOU RIGHT NOW!!

RECKLESS IMPUDENCE. BUT YOU'RE NOT FUNNY.

READ THIS WAY

I'M TAKING THIS FOOD TO THE MEN ON MY SHIP.

THEN I'M COMING BACK.

I'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE.

KRSH

NOW LISTEN CAREFULLY.

ALL I WANT IS THE CAPTAIN'S LOG AND THE SHIP.

ANYONE WHO DOESN'T WANT TO DIE HAD BETTER BE GONE WHEN I RETURN.

IT'S YOUR CHOICE.

...WAIT FOR ME. I'LL BURY YOU AT SEA.

TOMP..

TOMP.

TOMP..

BUT IF YOU'RE EAGER TO DIE...

...HE WOULD DO THIS!!

I... I...

SANJI, FORGIVE ME!! I DIDN'T THINK...

....!!

THE COOKS HELPED TO BRING THIS ON US, AS WELL.

CHEF...

HUH?

IT'S NOT ALL YOUR FAULT, SWABBY.

SANJI WANTS TO DESTROY YOUR PRECIOUS RESTAURANT!!

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HE'S THE GUY WHO STARTED ALL THIS TROUBLE!!

YOU CRAZY?!

CHEF!! ARE YOU SIDING WITH SANJI?

SHUT UP, YOU EGG-PLANTS !!!

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EITHER THAT OR YOU'RE INSANE. WHICH IS IT?!

YOU'D DO ANYTHING TO BE THE HEAD CHEF!!

DON'T YOU, SANJI ?!

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT AGONY THAT IS?!

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FWIK

HAVE YOU GONE FOR DAYS WITHOUT FOOD AND WATER ON THE HIGH SEAS?

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HAS ANY OF YOU EVER REALLY BEEN HUNGRY BEFORE?

...THEN JUST HEAD OUT THE BACK DOOR!!

IF YOU'RE GONNA KEEP MOANING...

SO WHAT, CHEF?

HUH...

YEAH! I GOT NOWHERE ELSE TO GO!

ME NEITHER! THIS RESTAURANT IS MY HOME!

I CAN'T STAND TO LET KRIEG HAVE HIS WAY.

I'LL STAY AND FIGHT.

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krk...

AS A COOK, I CONSIDER IT MY DUTY TO FEED THE HUNGRY.

LISTEN TO ME.

GIN...

YOU SAW WHAT KRIEG CAN DO!! YOU'D BETTER RUN!!

WHAT? ARE YOU FOOLS?!

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THUMP

SO IF I HAVE TO BEAT YOUR MATES TO DEATH, DON'T COMPLAIN.

BUT SOON I'LL BE FACING PLUN-DERERS WITH FULL STOMACHS.

...I'LL SLAUGHTER THEM WITHOUT MERCY, AND THAT GOES FOR YOU, TOO.

IF THEY TRY TO TAKE OVER THIS SHIP...

BE QUIET, CRAP-COOKER.

GOOD IDEA, SANJI.

HMPH. FIRST YOU SAVE 'EM, THEN YOU KILL 'EM?

GOT THAT?

YU/P..

...!!

YEAH. BESIDES, I'VE GOT TO FIGHT KRIEG.

HE'S A POWERFUL RIVAL. I'LL HAVE TO TAKE HIM DOWN SOMETIME.

RELAX. THEY'RE WOUNDED AND STARVING.

WHO CARES?! WE GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE!!

SEE? HE'S TOUGH, HUH?

flap

flap

YOU SAID YOU DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE GRAND LINE.

BUT YOU'VE BEEN THERE!

AYE?

BY THE WAY, GIN...

...HE APPEARED SO SUD-DENLY...

BUT WAS IT A DREAM OR REALITY? IT'S ALL MIXED UP IN MY HEAD.

I KNOW NOTHING. IT'S ALL A CRAZY FOG. SOMETHING HAPPENED ON OUR SEVENTH DAY OUT.

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JUST... ONE... MAN.

HOW COULD ONE MAN SCUPPER 50 SHIPS?!!

IMPOSSIBLE !!!

WHAT?!!

KRIEG'S ARMADA WAS DESTROYED BY ONE MAN?!!

IF THAT STORM HADN'T COME UP...

...HE'D HAVE SENT THE FLAGSHIP TO THE BOTTOM, TOO!

BEFORE WE KNEW IT...

...OUR SHIPS WERE SINKING, ONE AFTER THE OTHER!

IT WAS TERRIBLE... I CAN'T BELIEVE IT WAS REAL!!

I DON'T WANT TO REMEMBER THAT MAN!

I'M NOT SURE HOW MANY SHIPS SURVIVED...

WHAT ?!!

THAT MAN WITH THE PIERCING HAWK EYES, EYES THAT COULD KILL WITH A GLANCE!!!!